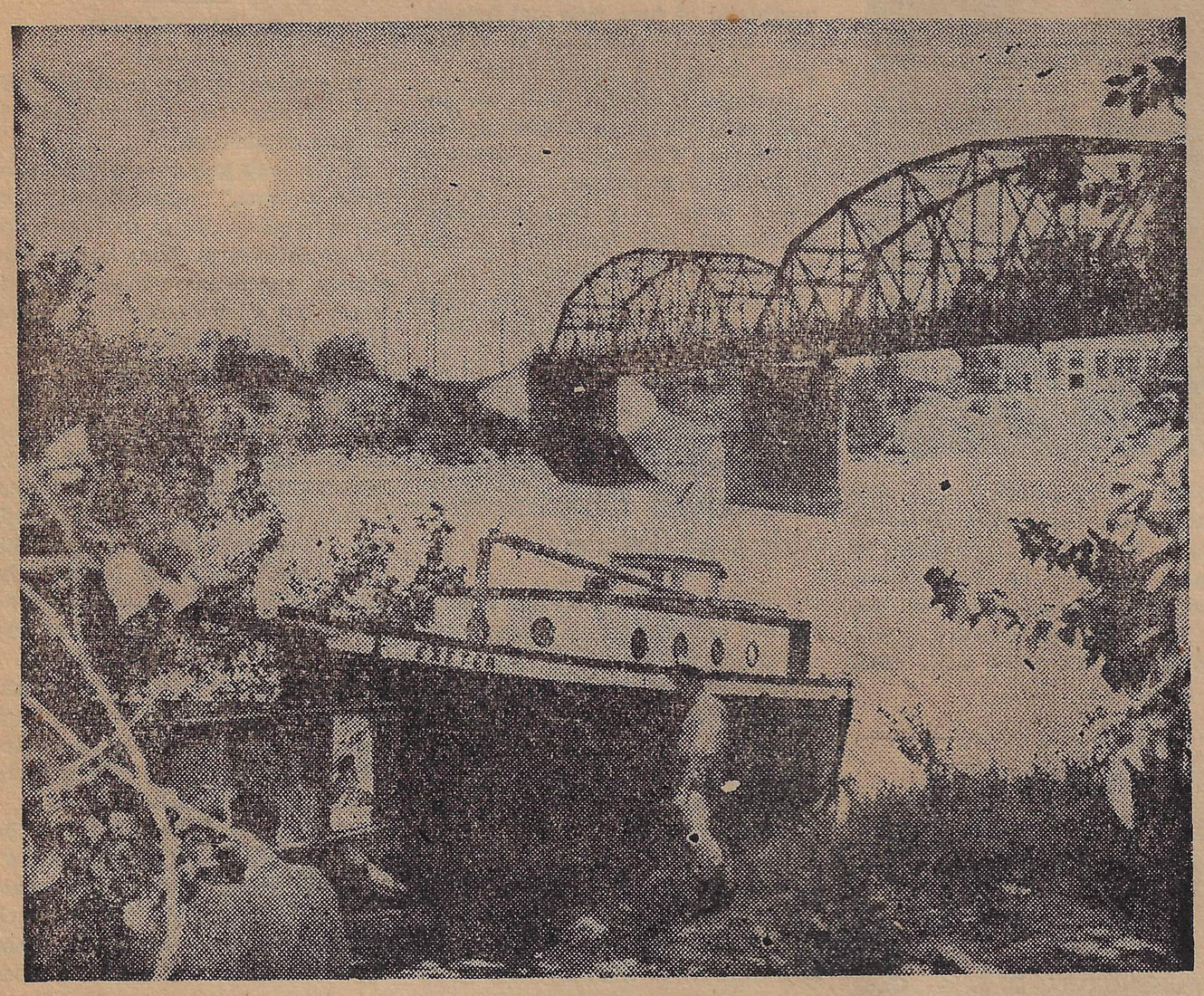
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The Exeter, ketch of the Lac la Biche Sea Cadets has been sold to H. R. Peets, manager of the O.K. Construction Co. The Exeter was recently grounded during an attempt to sail it to Prince Albert. O.K. Construction Co. equipment winched it off the sand bar and is hauling the vessel by truck trailer to Seba Beach.

Legend in the North Comes from the South

By LLOYD JENKINS

WATERWAYS. — Since the days of Sam McGee, the Canadian North has developed more than its fair share of legendary figures.

Like Sam, Len Williams is a S'uth'n gentleman, being born in Webster County, Mississippe, where the cotton also blooms and grows. But Len's acquaintance with cotton is principally confined to bed-clothes, which he tosses around with considerable dexterity on the Northern Alberta Railway run between Edmonton and this northern end-of-steel.

Len is literally known all over this continent and has letters and greeting cards from nearly every nook and vorner to prove it. At Christmas time his mail comes from many parts of the world. Many of his friendships in the United States were formed during the war, when this was an important military supply route, and Len was a busy boy indeed.

No matter how over-worked he was, Len always had time for a smile or a joke. People naturally like to pull his leg just to see him smile.

"Yuh caint make me mad, suh," Len says in an accent which is still southern, though he says his fellow Mississippians say he now speaks like a "foreigner."

And you can't!

Len is an important figure in the life of the town of McMurray, comprising Waterways and Fort McMurray. He is friend, messenger and confidant of more—and more important—people than any casual observer would ever suspect.

The first time I saw him he was giving fatherly advice to a married white woman who was having domestic difficulties. The second time he promptly introduced me to a Saturday Evening Post feature writer. These two incidents are typical of Len. As long as you are on his train, he is your friend, mentor and servant.

His wife complains she seldom sees him when he is in Edmonton because he spends so much time doing business and running messages for persons in Mcurray who have entrusted him with these duties.

"It grew up during the war and ah just haven't the heart to stop it," Len commented on this phase of his service.

Len's contact with northern Alberta dates back to 1912 but not all the intervening years have been spent as a pullman porter. His family moved to Oklahoma in 1903 and to the Athabasca district in 1912. For years he homesteaded near Boyle.

While living on the farm in summer, he sought other work in winter. In the fall of 1915 he worked on construction of the Alberta and Great Waterways railway line; then with Swift Canadian in Edmonton for five years, with Burns and Company for eight years, followed by a stretch as poultry grader for the provincial government for three years.

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WEATHER

The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures for the week ending August 1, 1949, at 05:30 p.m.

	Max.	Min.
July 26	66	53
" 27	72	50
" 28	73	45
" 29	71	54
" 30	74	49
" 31	75	57
Aug. 1	87	52

Total precipitation, 0.39 inch.

FRAINS NEWS

FRAINS.—Miss Ann Holowenko is in an Edmonton hospital.

Frains boys and girls attended the Donatville picnic and stayed for the dance. Everyone had fun.

The Catholic people of Frains had a Ukrainian concert at Grassland hall.

Mr. and Mrs. San Chopoidalo attended the Edmonton Exhibition.

Mrs. Smith went to Edmonton by truck.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Sawchuk and Alexander were at the Edmonton Exhibition.

Victoria Kolach was at Grassland for a week-end at her aunt's palce.

Pete Holowonko came home with the truck from Edmonton for a week-end.

Mary Kizik is in Edmonton visiting her aunt.

Olga Loposhinsky is in Edmonton visiting her aunts.

Frains Young People were at the wedding dance at Boyle on July 29.

SPEDDEN NEWS

SPEDDEN. — There isn't much news from Spedden as everyone seems to be busy. Spedden boys won first prize in baseball at Saddle Lake Treaty. It was good work.

Mr. and Mrs. Jampolski's sons are gone for a holiday with their new Austin car. Hope they'll enjoy themselves.

Richters are moving to the city.

Hrycuiks family moved to a new house built by the Co-op store. As Mr. Hrycuik is manager of the store it will be more convenient for him.

A number of local trucks took some Indians to Lake Ste. Anne, where they spent a couple of days.

People around here are starting haying.

Some stores are being re-painted these days and should look a lot brighter.

Lac la Biche News Items

LAC LA BICHE.—Mrs. James Aitchison of Hamilton, Ont., and Mr. James Hurd of Buffalo, N.Y., have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Willie Plamondon.

Miss Elizabeth Messier of Edmonton is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Coutney. Hope you are having a swell time, Elizabeth.

Annette Coutney is on holidays, visiting her folks.

Mr. J. E. Cook and Mr. George Blondheim of Edmonton were in Lac la Biche last week to look over the Scotch pin factory in which they are interested.

Miss Marion Gimby, vice-president of the Alberta Teachers' Association, came to Lac la Biche for a visit on the 29th.

Mrs. R. Wilson and boys of Lac la Biche are holidaying at Mayerthorpe.

Davene Bowness of Kimberley, B.C., left on Wednesday's train for Waterways to visit her grandmother, Mrs. Staveley, after spending the past week with her aunt, Mrs. C. E. Chisholm.

Miss Kae Stelfox spent the week-end at Olds and her home at Rocky Mountain House.

The Tennis Club went for a picnic Sunday to the Pines. Every one had a good time. The dance they put on Friday was good success.

FREEDOM FOOTNOTES

FREEDOM.—Mrs. Fred Meyer Sr. was rushed to the Barrhead hospital for a serious operation on July 11. We all wish to see you home soon, Mrs. Meyer.

Last Sunday the Freedom gang gathered at the hall for a little enjoyment. A few from Barrhead also attended and decided to come again.

Elsie Carlson and Gerry Donnelly spent a few days with Vera and Aino last week. Agnes and Henry also stayed there for a week.

We wonder why Wilmer got home 9 o'clock in the morning after the dance in Freedom. You can't always blame it on flat tires.

A baptism service was held in St. Mary's Church in Barrhead on July 9 by Bishop Barefoot. Three little girls were baptized: Mavis Carlson and Marliss Meyer of Freedom and Brooksy Roeski of Barrhead.

Quite a few Freedom folks attended the exhibition. A good time was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson motored to Westlock to visit friends there.

Mrs. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. George Mackie of Drumheller were visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. Meyer of Freedom.

Mr. Fritz Hauch is now working in Clinton, B.C., with his brother Jack.

CRAIGEND NEWS

CRAIGEND. — District farmers are really proud of their crops. It looks better than they thought in the spring.

Mr. Elie Grigorouic returned home from Manitoba where he spent two weeks. Guess there's no place like home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoppner have visitors all the way from B.C. Welcome friends, we're glad to see you.

Miss Annie Kulyk remained at home when her parents went down south and were trapped by the rain.

Miss Pearl Beniuk is back in the post office. She was spending a few weeks in the city.

Beniuks are really busy farmers, breaking with the old John Deere. Lucky to have Phillip to pick the rocks.

The Craigend taxi can really plow through mud. Nothing like a good driver behind the wheel.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beniuk on July 15, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ritzay moved to their new place on July 24. Wish you best of luck friends.

Miss Adeline Solohub is back home again.

Funeral Rites For Robert Calvert

LAC LA BICHE.—Funeral services for Mr. Robert R. Calvert who passed away in St. Catherine's hospital on July 21 in his 78th year, were held in the United Church, Lac la Biche, on Saturday, July 23. Rev. Lee officiated and interment was made in the Lac la Biche cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs. T. Lett, R. Whitford, E. Pruden, J. Mitchell, H. Thompson and G. Spencer.

Many beautiful floral tributes were received from The Family, Kelly & Bebeluk, United Church Ladies' Aid, the Fregin grandchildren, Millers & Shaws, Aggie, Sam and Phylis Calvert, the Women's Institute, Mr. and Mrs. Whitford, Jennie, Fred Wilkins and Florence Croswell, Dorothy and Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hammar, Mr. and Mrs. Lett and family, Robert and Annie Rae.

Mr. Calvert was born at Demchurch, Ont., on March 21, 1872 and came west to Chipman 52 years ago. He came to Lac la Biche in 1931 where he farmed until he retired in 1940.

He leaves to mourn his passing two sons, Charles of Lac la Biche and Alex of Edgerton; two daughters, Ethel (Mrs. H. Brown), Oliver, B.C., and May (Mrs. J. Williams), of Lac la Biche; six brothers, Harry, Herb, Edward and John of Chipman, Joe of Lamont and Sam of Edmonton. There are 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Lakeview Mortuary of Lac la Biche had charge of arrangements.

LAC LA BICHE HOSPITAL NEWS

BIRTHS:

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Storey of Lac la Biche, on July 26, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fischer of Charron, on July 27, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Real Richard of Plamondon, on July 27, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Art. Schirrimacher of Lac la Biche, on July 30, a son.

IN HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Eli Rosychuk of Hylo; Myron Makar of Donatville; Gabriel Plamondon of Plamondon; Alvina Dakin of Gourin; Orval McMillan of Charron; Hector Ouellet of Mile 137 was rushed to an Edmonton hospital after having had a blood transfusion in our local hospital.

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BEAR HUG FOR ASIA— AND WHO IS NEXT?

Complacency with which the Western World views conquest of the Communists in China alarms some of us who may make no pretence to inside knowledge of conditions or reason for the hands-off policy.

That many of Chiang Kai-shek's officials were corrupt is generally conceded. Gen. Stilwell and other Americans who tried co-operating with the regime made it equally well-known that the Generalissimo during the war was more interested in preparing to fight the Communists than he was in any victory for the Allies, even to extent of defeating the Japanese becoming secondary.

Chiang recently emerged long enough from semi-retirement to say: "If Communism is not checked in China it will spread over the whole of Asia. Should that occur, another world war would be inevitable. Any suggestion the Chinese Communists might break with Moscow is insidious propaganda, designed to confuse."

Almost at the same moment, Nozaka and other Japanese Communists were shouting in public that China showed Asia's "wave of the future." Akahata, Communist party newspaper, argued Chinese trade would bring Japan commercial independence and help overthrow the government. Even American-occupied Japan was getting on the band-wagon.

Russia learned much from Germany. Basic in Germany diplomacy was to strike west if its real interest was east. The Berlin crisis was deliberately manufactured as a smoke-screen to disguise Russia's real purpose of getting a strong foothold in Asia. Russia was willing to settle, not because of the airlift, but only when a Communist victory in China appeared inevitable. Should a set-back be suffered, another Berlin crisis may be created only too easily.

Georgi Dimitrov, Bulgarian premier who, after his recent death, was the first Communist hero since Lenin to have his body preserved indefinitely by embalming, stated that victory in China "tips the world balance of power in Russian favor."

Prior to World War II, England not only had interests in Asia but power and influence to act as mediator, if not guide its destiny in world—though not necessarily domestic—affairs. Impoverished by the war, restricted by nationalistic post-war demands by colonies and dependencies for independence, and beset with its own domestic troubles, England has had to step aside while Russia and the United States fought it out for "spheres of influence."

To most Americans, Japan is the limit of vision from their window on the Pacific. The Middle East, and even China, seem too far away to be bothered with too seriously. The tendency of the New World—Canada as well as the U.S.A.—has been to ignore incendiary fires in the Old as not threatening our own home. Surely two world conflicts should have taught us differently!

Our newspapers go into homes where the readers might have the right to ask: "Why do you write about China? Why don't you stick to affairs closer to home?"

This is close to home. On the Paciifc, Russia is our neighbor—Canada could well be the Belgium of another war. War becomes our personall affair, willy-nilly. Continued peace is the concern of each of us.

Germans today will tell you: "You in the West are one war behind. You only now see the danger we foresaw as residents of the continent of Europe with Russia." This may be only an excuse for their twice-thwarted desires for world conquest but the danger that Russia has inherited that ambition is very real indeed.

We in the West say the enemy is Communism, as indeed it is, for that is the cloak for Russian Imperialism, but it really has little to do with the merits, or lack of them, of Communism as a social theory Many liberal thinkers have been enticed into fighting an ideological war when they were only agents for Russian nationalistic ambitions. Many have had the wits to see this was so, as the long parade of deserters from the "cause" would indicate.

Russian propaganda is right in one respect: "war mongers" are the real enemies of the people; but the term is applied to the wrong persons. Those of us who have experienced two wars devoutly wish peace for the rest of our days. But to be conquered without a struggle will make us no less our master's slaves.

China may yet forge one of our chains for servitude.

It Pays to Advertise in Your Local Paper—Try It Some Time!

Heard on BBC News



JAMES URQUHART, staff announcer with the BBC's Overseas Service is heard frequently in Canada reading the BBC news, which is broadcast daily on the CBC Trans-Canada network (CBW 11:00 a.m., CBK 10:00 a.m., CBX 9:00 a.m.).

Uranium Found in Flin Flon Region near Big Mine With Fabulous Legend

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Canada's curiously named town of Flin Flon — in whose vicinity two uranium strikes have been reported within recent months — was an important mining center long before atomic-energy demands brough uranium new and dramatic value. It also is the source of a legend not unworthy of the fabulous properties of the new mineral.

The tall, smoke-pouring chimneys of Flin Flon rise in the heart of the Dominion, in the rocky, lake-spattered region that geologists call the Canadian Shield, notes the National Geographic Society. How the town got its name is uncertain, but specialists in tall tales have evolved some colorful legends to explain it.

One of the best tells how early prospectors in the neighborhood found a lurid dime novel whose hero was named Joseph Flintabbaty Flonatin. After a series of fabulous travels, this Flintabbaty Flonatin had come to a hidden land ruled by Amazons, where gold was so plentiful that tin was used for money. The end of the novel was unfortunately torn off, preventing further knowledge of the secret land. Then one of the prospectors came on a great hole in the earth full of gold-bearing ore. "I've found Flin Flon's mine," he exclaimed. And so the town that sprung up was named.

PROVINCES SHARE WEALTH

Flin Flon is considered part of Manitoba, but actually lies just on the border between that province and its western neighbor, Saskatchewan. Though the mine head is on the Manitoba side, its fields of copper, zinc, and gold-containing ores extend into Saskatchewan.

The uranium, too. has been discovered near by in both provinces, with still another radioactive find turned up lately at Lake La Ronge, in north-central Saskatchewan.

The present Flin Flon ore body came to light in 1915. Because of World War I, little at first was done about it. By 1918, there still was nothing to be seen but barren rock and one diamond drill.

MANY MILLIONS INVESTED

Gradually, as investments rolled up to more than $30,000,000, this mine grew into one of the biggest zinc and copper producers of the continent. Though the gold content of the ore is not particularly high, so many tons are treated that Flin Flon has taken leadership in gold production for the Manitoba-Saskatchewan region.

Flin Flon now has a population of eight to nine thousand people—which makes it something of a metropolis in this sparsely-settled northland of furs, fish and forests, far beyond Manitoba's fertile grain fields and major cities.

Climate is severe, with an annual range from such extremes as 90 degrees Fahrenheit in summer to 40 below in winter.

The town — a typical mining settlement of rambling frame buildings — is built steeply on a hill. To help climbers up one tilted street, a hundred steps have been provided.

Winners of AMTA Roadeo to Compete in Canadian Championships at Toronto

Alberta's first provincial Truck Roadeo will be held September 10, at Edmonton.

Through the co-operation of the armed services we have been able to obtain the Edmonton Airport (old American base) for the running of the finals on Saturday, September 10.

Practice tracks will be set up at Namao airport, Edmonton, Calgary and Lethbridge in August, and will be available to all truck operators who wish to test their skill over the hazards and trials of a truck roadeo course. Application forms and track illustrations may be obtained from the Alberta Transport Association, 1411 Second St., East, Calgary, Alberta.

The purpose of this roadeo is to determine, by a series of competitive trials, the driving skill and general knowledge of safety practices of the participants.

Truck roadeos have now become an institution and an integral part of the trucking industry of America. Practically all of the states in the United States now hold annual state roadeos. These culminate in a National Truck Roadeo, held at some suitable point each year. ?

In Canada, Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta have, to, date, made definite commitments on holding roadeos for this year. Other provinces will undoubtedly fall in line in the next few months.

The champion of the provincial roadeo will compete in Toronto for the champion of Canada in October, 1949. Prizes, cash awards and trophies, amounting to substantial sums of money will be awarded the winners.

The purpose behind all truck roadeos is to promote safety, courtesy and efficiency on the highways, and by a series of competitive events, it is possible to determine by accurate judging, the skill of each participant, and demonstrate conclusively to the public, that truck driving is a profession, and the skill of the Alberta truck driver is equal to the best, and surpassed by none in Canada.

Three may keep a secret if two of them are dead.

A. M. Shaw Heads Agr. Prices Board

A. M. Shaw, Director of Marketing in the Department of Agriculture, has been appointed to succeed J. G. Taggart as chairman of the Agricultural Prices Support Board. Mr. Taggart is now Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

Native of Woodburn, Ontario, and former Dean of Agriculture in the University of Saskatchewan, Mr. Shaw served on several war boards and was chairman of the Agricultural Supplies Board and Special Products Board. He is a member of the War-time Prices and Trade Board.

Confidentially

Fair(y) Story Begins "Once Upon a Time"

By JAY LLOYD

Beginning is the most difficult part of any task. Particularly is this so of writing.

Some lazy genius evolved "once upon a time," conventional fairy story opening. It is so vague and yet so satisfying. Long before Einstein's space-time continuum, it wiped out all necessity for getting too definitely located.

FORGIVE IT, PLEASE

Once upon a time I wrote a regular column for a newspaper. As it was long ago, probably the miscegnation has been forgotten, if not forgiven, by my three readers. (Two relatives and a psychiatric case. I do not include the editor, although he probably read the first few paragraphs the day the column was superannuated).

The publisher has now suggested, in his pristine innocence, that I should fill in a little space instead of just time. (We're back to Relativity again.).

Question is, what to call the blessed thing? (Yes, I know: "blessed" wasn't the word I wanted to use, either. But there is such a thing as censorship, even these days. Besides, name-calling does not give me a title, now does it?).

For the sort of thing I had in mind—fact and fable, odds and ends, sort of a waste-basket of ideas—most of the good titles are already reserved: "On the Record," "Off the Record," "It's the Truth," "Believe It or Not," "Strictly Personal," " Just Between Ourselves," "News and Views," "Here, There and Everywhere"—they've all been used. "It Really Happened" is not only the name of a radio program but it "really" should be "occurred".

NOT A CLUE

Confidentially, when it comes to thinking up titles I haven't a clue.

Fortunately, as far as material is concerned my deeds and misdeeds are, by chance or mischance, a motely assortment spread over a wide area. (Note. That implies space NOT time). For many years I interviewed the great and near great; I galloped indiscriminately over Europe as well as this fair Canada of ours; and I can usually find words to keep on going, if not ideas. As the above so neatly approves.

Side-glances (another good title gone wrong, as far as I am concerned) of a not unreasonably dull past-stories which for one reason or another I haven't written until now—will form the wool of my writing. The wool you can go gather by yourself. If you are wool-gathering, this column is no place for you to be intruding.

WOOL-GATHERING

Wool . . . pardon me . . . Well, that is about what you may expect. Whether you will get it or not is another matter. What does matter is that we have your ideas, opinions, items or news, suggestions—and above all, interest.

A photographer friend, an inveterate cheesecake-chaser, used to say:

"All I want is a shape and a smile."

ONLY THE SMILE?

He usually got it. On film.

We (meaning the publisher and myself, as after all he has SOME say) will try to give you what you want. At least, it will be "All My Own Work." The publisher can go write his own column.

The F-valve of a camera lens indicates the relationship between the diameter of the lens, the hypotenuse of the film area and the distance between the film surface and the centre of the lens.

The First Year of Saunders Wheat

Saunders wheat was licensed in 1947 and first distributed for commercial use in 1948. It came from a cross made in Ottawa between a Hope x Reward hybrid and Thatcher. Saunders is an early maturing, stem rust, and loose smut resistent variety, developed for areas where early maturity is important.

At the time of licensing only 225 bushels of seed were available. This quantity was increased that summer under contract at Beaverlodge and Lacombe. A crop of 5,700 bushels of seed was harvested and distributed to 887 farmers and growers in Central and Northern Alberta. Many hundreds of farmers were disappointed, as the demand was far in excess of the supply. To make the seed stocks go as far as possible not more than six bushels per grower were allowed.

It will be recalled that the spring of 1948 was very late. In many areas the season remained cold and wet until June. Farmers, were unable to seed until late in May and some did not get any wheat seeded that season. In spite of these drawbacks, it is estimated that approximately 100,000 bushels of Saunders were harvested, says J. G. C. Fraser, Cereal Division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

Reports received from over 60 per cent of the growers of Saunders wheat indicated that they were well pleased with their first year's experience with this new variety. They were impressed with its earliness and yielding ability under rather adverse conditions, and considered it a very promising variety. A number remarked upon its ability to resist drought, shattering, and frost, and its suitability for combine harvesting.

A further distribution of about 10,000 bushels to 1,300 growers took place in 1949 from the Dominion Experimental Stations at Beaverlodge, Lacombe, and Melfort.

Saunders is not being recommended for the "Open Plains" areas of Saskatchewan and Manitoba, but a limited distribution of some 3,600 bushels to 625 farmers was made in the northern sections of these two provinces in 1949. The Dominion Experimental Stations were unable to supply over 5,300 persons who applied for seed but it is expected that those who grew Saunders in 1948, and those who will grow it in 1949, should be able to meet all demands for seed in 1930.

The results to date indicate that Saunders is definitely well adapted in the Peace River area. Its suitability for the Edmonton-Lacombe area and for parts of northern Saskatchewan is indicated, but further trials are required to establish this with certainty.

Steps are now under way to produce Foundation and Elite Stock Seed of Saunders at Ottawa. When available, the distribution of Foundation Stock Seed will be handled by E. C. Stacey, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Station, Beaverlodge, Alberta.

Smoke, smoke, smoke that germ to death; That use to be the rule in cleaning sick-rooms 25 years ago, when the fumes of the sulphur candle were used. But now it is done by a systematic laundering of all sickroom material.

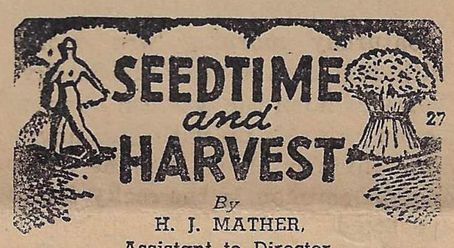
Mix Paint Well Before Using

Sometimes that paint job done at home does not prove as satisfactory as was to be expected. And assuming the surface to be painted was well prepared, the reason is generally because the paint was not properly mixed.

Paint is a comlex material consisting of oil, pigment, dryer and thinner. The proportions of each in any can of paint is a matter of careful technical measurement, so that the resulting paint job can do a complete job of protection and beautification. Because of their different densities. all these materials tend to separate when left standing. and the mixture becomes good paint again only after they are completely blended together before using,

Stirring is the most common way of blending the materials, but it must be thorough until all the pigment, which settles at the bottom of the can, is mixed in with the liquids. It is not sufficient to stir the paint only before starting the job, it should be mixed from time to time as the painting is done.

Since the time of Hippocrates, 2400 years ago, a wound of the heart had been considered fatal. Today, not only have hearts with stab wounds been successfully sutured (sewed), but operations are now being performed on hearts and heart valves for the correction of congenital defects.



By
H. J. MATHER,
Assistant to Director,
Line Elevators Farm Service,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Trash Cover Important

The trash cover or stubble mulch was developed in the Monarch-Nobleford area of southern Alberta as a protection against soil drifting. Thousands of acres of soil were "tied down" by this method in the "windy thirties". During this dry period the farmers of southern Alberta became expert at producing and maintaining a trash cover. With the advent of better moisture conditions wind erosion, at least temporarily, ceased to be the number one problem on most prairie farms. Unfortunately, however, a more insidious form of erosion, water erosion, took its place. The solution of the water erosion problem is essentially the same as that of wind erosion. Because of this fact, we find that the trash cover, once found only in the dry areas, has become a common farm practice in the moister areas of the Prairie Provinces.

Acts in Many Ways. The trash cover acts in several ways to prevent erosion. It protects the soil from pounding rain. It slows down run-off, allowing water to soak into the ground. The trash anchored in the surface provides channels through which water percolates into the soil. The result is less run-off, more moisture in the soil, and less erosion.

Types of Machines. The one-way disc, duckfoot cultivator, rod weeder and the various blade machines. are all efficient trash cover implements. The blades work best under the drier prairie conditions, the one-way and duckfoot under moister conditions.

Depth and Speed of Cultivation. To secure a good trash cover, cultivation must be shallow, just below the root crowns is best. Speed of travel must be slow, 3 to 3½ miles per hour gives best results.

The preservation of our prairie soils is Western Canada's number one conservation problem. The effective use of the stubble mulch or trash cover by western farmers is putting soil conservation into action. Remember, "If you are good to the land, it will be good to you".

T.B. Surveys Organized in Alberta And N. W. T.

OTTAWA, Ont. — Several thousands Indians in Alberta, the Yukon and North West Territories are being x-rayed for tuberculosis this month as a part of a continuing drive for the detection and elimination of this disease in Canada, the federal health minister, Hon. Paul Martin, announced today. In addition a substantial percentage of the white population in the remote sections of the territories will receive this free medical service while the mobile x-ray units are in their areas.

The mass x-ray program for this part of western Canada centres in the Charles Camsell Indian Hospital, Edmonton. Mr. Martin stated. During July surveys are scheduled for the Hobbema Indian agency and for the Saddle Lake agency in the eastern part of Alberta.

A second x-ray unit will go up the Alaska Highway as far as it goes into the Yukon Territory. X-ray services in this area will be provided for the white population in the settlements along the highway as well as for the Indians. Arrangements have been made for moving the x-ray equipment by boat along the Yukon River and by air to Dawson City and Mayo Landing.

A third x-ray unit will go to the Great Slave Lake area to x-ray all the Indians in the Fort Resolution agency and the entire population of the Yellowknife settlement.

Already completed are mass surveys on the Sarcee Reserve, just outside Calgary, and on the Blood Reserve at Cardston. Mobile x-ray equipment was also sent with the treaty party which travelled down the Athabasca River and visited settlements on Lake Athabasca.

Arrangements for providing tuberculosis x-rays for the white population in the North West Territories were worked out between Indian Health Services and the North West Territories Council and for Yukon with the Yukon territorial government.

Details of the entire program were developed, Mr. Martin said, under the direction of Dr. E. L. Stone, medical superintendent for Indian health services in Alberta and the North West Territories, and Dr. H. Meltzer, medical director of the Charles Camsell Indian Hospital, Edmonton.

The x-ray plates will be read and interpreted by medical officers of the Charles Camsell Hospital. Every effort will be made, Mr. Martin emphasized, to provide early and effective treatment for all cases of tuberculosis discovered by the mass surveys.

It's queer you can't drive a car (new) down the street without meeting everybody you owe.

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Canada Watches Congress Debate On Aid Plan

Canada's military leaders are keeping a close eye on progress of President Harry Truman's billion dollar military aid program through U.S. congress this week.

At top levels, political and military heads are watching how the program would fit in with Canada's obligations under the North Atlantic pact.

And in the under-manned reserve and active force units, mechanics and maintenance men were looking hopefully for passage of the aid program.

Since the Military Assistance Act lapsed two years ago, Canadian units using U.S. vehicles and tanks have had to rely on broken-down equipment for their spare parts pool.

Armored units using Pershing tanks have had to strip wrecked tanks for spare parts, and RCAF units using American aircraft have been in the same plight.

Until Canada began to develop her own armament and defence industries the armed forces would continue to be dependent on British or U.S. manufacturers for equipment or replacements.

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People Are Still Talking About the Great Rain

Edmonton citizens sweltering in the hottest weather in four years, looked at weather forecasts on Friday, July 15, and noticed that at last thunder showers and rain were predicted for the week-end.

The three-week long dry spell had hit temperatures of 91 degrees and vegetation was beginning to shrivel in the intense heat.

Saturday morning was cooler with scattered clouds in the sky. Towards noon the western horizon began to bank up with big, navy-blue thunder clouds and by noon big drops of rain began to spatter down.

Within the next two hours 8,000,000 tons of water and hail was dumped on the city from the black clouds. With winds at 50-60 miles per hour, rain and hail smashed greenhouse windows, flooded 300 basements and subways, tied up traffic.

Two oilworkers were drowned south of Nisku when their car swept off the road by a flash-flood.

SEWER BLEW UP

Pressure of water was so great that it caused a sewer 16 feet underground to blow up, in the south side Walterdale area. Debris was thrown 30 to 50 feet as the sewer burst and water flooded nearby homes.

Nearly 200 city workers from utility departments worked frantically to clear up damage while citizens looked mournfully at their flooded basements and began to sop up the water.

Said one citizens to his wife as they watched the water rise to the light bulb in their basement ceiling: "Let's be British about this." So they dressed up in their best clothes, sat down and had dinner.

Water was so deep in one subway that it submerged stranded cars, was wide enough to allow two men to paddle around in a canoe.

By four in the afternoon the trolley buses were running again and people were out in their cars to gawk at the $250,000 estimated damage.

CLEARED UP

Crews working overtime cleared up debris and drained pools of water and by the middle of the week the damage was mostly cleaned up.

A second, lighter downpour on the Thursday flooded 50 more basements and some hail was recorded. But this time the crews were on the alert and the situation was kept under control.

Last week the flood was only something to talk about to most people. But to one eight-member family in the Walterdale district the flood meant disaster.

When the sewer main blew up their low-lying house was right in the way of the overflow, was flooded right up over the main floor.

This week they were living in the Walterdale Community Church and wondering where they were going to find another place to live.

Filmsters Shoot Alberta Scenery

A 20-minute color movie called "Alberta Vacation" is being taken as a "come-on" film to be distributed to the U.S. and other parts of Canada.

Taken by the Alberta government's film and photo unit the film will show scenic beauty spots at Jasper, Banff, Waterton and other resorts.

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SUGDEN NEWS

SUGDEN. — A ball tournament was held at Sugden on July 23 with first prize going to Bellerive ball team. A dance was held in the evening with Swanda Bros. orchestra playing.

A dance was recently held in Ed Eigner's new barn. Everyone had a nice time.

Mr. G. Gibbs has purchased a new Oliver tractor and mower.

Bernhard Martin has purchased a motorcycle.

Mike Zukewski received a black eye the other day. This time from a crank while starting a car.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Chorney motored to St. Brides on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Karpyshyn and Mr. Bill Katerenchuk were recent Sugden visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Slowski spent Sunday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Shepherd at St. Brides.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ford of Wainwright recently visited Mrs. Ford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thachuk were Sunday visitors at Sugden.

Miss Esther Bloomstrand is home from Edmonton where she was employed.

Grade 9 pupils are anxiously awaiting the return of their finals. The best of luck, girls.

Crop prospects are in fairly good condition, although more rain would better the situation. Some farmers have started haying.

ELLSCOTT NEWS

ELLSCOTT. — Don and Elmer Clopp from Peers, Alta., are visitors at Ellscott this summer. They were here for a brief visit last summer and we welcome them back to Ellscott.

Mr. Myers was very pleased when his daughter who is superintendent of a hospital in the U.S. came to visit him after many years.

The Ellscott locality seems to have been pretty lucky so far. There have not been any severe hail storms.

Dan Cupid is doing fairly good for himself. Vivian Lindstrom has said "yes" to Paul Legdon's question. They hope to be married in the near future. Best of luck to you two.

A former resident of Ellscott, now working at Cadomin, Joe Radmanovich and his brand new wife were here for a short visit.

LEGAL NEWS

LEGAL.—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Theberge are proud parents of a new baby girl last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henri Caoulte and family are gone to Alberta Beach for the week, accompanied by Mrs. Georges Labby and her daughter, Miss Theresa Labby.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Lorieau, at General hospital, a daughter.

Miss Theresa Dube is back from her trip to Vancouver.

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD. IT PAYS!

Wm. Gibeau Testifed At Court Hearing

MORINVILLE. — Wm. Gibeau, resident of Morinville, who happened along at the scene of a recent accident south of here, shortly after the smash-up, was a witness in Edmonton last week in court.

Damage to two cars involved in a fatal accident four miles south of Morinville June 17 indicated they had been involved in a near head-on collision, according to evidence in a preliminary hearing on a manslaughter charge at the court house Tuesday.

Three Colinton persons were killed as a result of the accident. They were Mr. and Mrs. Altie Galbraith and 18-year-old Vincent Delancey. Five others were injured.

Accused of manslaughter and alleged to have been the driver of one of the cars involved is William Trawny, 19348 93 st. He is represented by H. J. Bishop, city lawyer. The preliminary is being heard by Magistrate Alfred Simpson.

Sgt. James Muir, R.C.M.P., described investigations at the scene, and it was he who gave his opinion that the collision had been nearly head-on.

Force of the collision, he said, had reduced the length of one of the cars by some feet.

Sgt. Muir testified that in and around the coupe, said to have been driven by Trawny, were pieces of broken beer bottles. Damage to both cars was so bad, he told Crown Prosecutor W. J. Shortreed, he could not check brakes or lights on either car.

He stated also, "I would say the Ford car (the coupe) was fully on its wrong side of the road at the time of the impact." He testified condition of the road and visibility were good.

Lute I. Galbreath, son of Altie Galbreath, limped to the witness stand. He said he was the driver of the Chevrolet sedan involved in the accident. He said he, his mother, father and Vincent Delancey had come to Edmonton to see the circus in the afternoon. They had picked up L. Y. Satterlee for the return trip.

Galbreath stated the men had had one bottle of beer in a downtown hotel after the circus, had gone to a picture show, had dinner, and then proceeded home.

He estimated his speed on the return trip at about 45 m.p.h.

He said he saw the other car coming down the centre of the road and that it had pulled over toward him instead of going toward its own side.

"I don't remember the crash at all," he said. "When I got out of the car, the rest were out."

He told Mr. Bishop there was no liquor in the car he was driving.

The next witness, Satterlee, also limped, to a lesser degree, to the stand.

He said Galbreath had dimmed his lights before meeting the Ford car. His evidence was much the same as Galbreath's.

Next witness was William Gibeau of Morinville, who with two companions drove up shortly after the accident. He was unable to identify the driver of the coupe.

He described how on helping Dr. J. L. Perreault, of Morinville, who was one of the first persons to reach the scene, he had thrown a partly consumed bottle of liquor, found partly out of the pocket of a man lying on the pavement, into a ditch. He later had directed Const. H. Norris, R.C.M.P., to the bottle. Const Norris, next on the stand, identified the bottle.

ST. ALBERT NEWS

ST. ALBERT. — Mrs. A. MacDonald returned to her home after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Veness and relatives here.

Mrs. Louis Houle returned from a three months' holiday in Los Angeles, Calif., visiting her relatives.

Mr. Archie McDougall and Mr. Carl Gfauere of Lebert, Sask., were guests at the home of A. A. MacMillan last week.

Miss Yvette L'Heureux was honored at a miscellaneous shower held in the Parish hall last Friday. Miss L'Heureux is to be married on the 10th of August to Merede Lavoie.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Labelle left Monday for the Peace River district where they will be vacationing for a few weeks.

Miss Theresa Belhumeur is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lamoureux at R.R. 6 North Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sommers and friends of Barrhead motored to Leduc last Friday and returned home Monday

Mr. Ted Hauptman had the lucky ticket for the draw of the 1949 Pontiac raffled by the Kinsmen Club in Edmonton. The draw was made Saturday evening at the Exhibition grounds. Pleasant journeys in the new car Mr. Hauptman.

GOURIN NEWS

GOURIN.—A dance was held in Gourin school on July 22. A large crowd attended and a swell time was enjoyed by all.

We see activity around the school now. The residents are busy renovating the school for the fall term.

Alvin Dakin is receiving medical treatment in Lac la Biche hospital.

Mrs. Alvey Gauthier underwent an operation in Edmonton. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Ulliac made a business trip to Edmonton.

We see a new garage being constructed south of the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Ulliac and family attended a field day in Athabasca July 26.

Mr. Louis Ulliac's new barn is nearing completion.

Mr. Louis and Francois Ulliac participated in the Livestock Show held in Plamondon July 28, by exhibiting some of their pure-bred stock.

Mr. Edeas Bourassa is renovating his house.

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The Plamondon Page

The Plamondon Agricultural Club Field Day

PLAMONDON. — Great credit must be paid to Mr. G. Godel, district agriculturist, in tribute to his efforts to establish and organize this farm field day. Also we must pay tribute to the members and executives in their work as organizers of the field day. The day was a great success and the farmers brought in some splendid stock.

Mr. Fontaine, past agriculturist in this district, was the guest speaker. Mr. G. Godel gave several interesting speeches and he assured the people of the district that his services would be given most freely to help the club if they themselves would organize and work for the expansion of the club and farm activities. A demonstration of weed spraying was given.

The soft drinks, ice cream and lunch stands were very well patronized and a show on livestock and meat cutting was given in the evening by Mr. Godel's department, then the club sponsored a regular show.

These are the kind of days that we should have often and give the people a chance to mix, and discuss farming and cattle, etc.

Local Sports Day A Big Success

PLAMONDON. — The Plamondon sports day was a wonderful success. The weather was wonderful and the people from all over the district came in large numbers. The ball games were very interesting. The Clifford Players entertainments interested the crowds and the kiddies especially —with their varied amusements. In the evening a show was given and a dance after midnight.

Congratulations to all the ball players who worked so hard to make this day a success, also to all the ladies and girls that worked in any way. And a big thanks to the district ball teams that visited to play and to the residents of those district that came with their teams.

Ball scores for Sunday's games at Plamondon are as follows:

First game: Wandering River-Plamondon, score 14-0 in favor of Plamondon.

Second game: Plamondon-Brierville, score 8-7 in favor of Brierville.

Third game: Brierville-Lac la Biche, score 4-2 in favor of Brierville.

Fourth game: All Star Team-Boyle, score 14-4 in favor of All Stars.

A wonderful display of sportsmanship was shown throughout the day. Congratulations to all.

WASKATENAU NEWS

WASKATENAU. — Miss Dorothy Jackson is spending her holidays at North Battleford, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Esopenko of Waskatenau have opened a coffee shop in the old hotel building.

A dance was held in the Community hall in Waskatenau on July 20, sponsored by the Young People's Club. The Warspite orchestra was in attendance.

We are sorry to hear of the passing away of Mr. Harry Your, a long time resident of Waskatenau. He is survived by his wife and two sons Paul and Mike.

Miss Minnie Shwetz of Waskatenau is at the Colorado Mts. where she is taking a course.

PLAMONDON NEWS

PLAMONDON. — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Buehler and family of Sterco, Alta., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Octive Chevigney.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherie Chevigney and family also spent a few days here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Octive Chevigney.

A large crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gagnon to say farewell to the American visitors that have been spending their holidays here.

We hear that Mrs. Alvey Gauthier was stricken with a sudden attack of appendicitis while on a business visit to Edmonton and has now had her appendix removed in an Edmonton hospital.

Miss Evelyn Bosse and Mrs. Moor and daughter of Camrose, daughters of Mr. Eugene Bosse, spent several days in the district at their father's home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Jensen are away on holidays, and we think they must be enjoying their stay at their new farm home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clapham of Edmonton spent the week-end at the R. E. Piquette home.

More Driver Training Cars Are Available

Officials of the Alberta Motor Association have been informed that the demand for dual-control driver training cars is on the increase in the U.S.

As these cars are available in Alberta, it is hoped that more of them will be put in operation when the next school term opens. School boards have shown some interest in this type of safety training and it is hoped that more will engage in such work to reduce accidents.

In the U.S., nearly 3,000 out of 26,000 high schools across the country have dual-control cars. These cars are provided by automobile manufacturers, in co-operation with the American Automobile Association.

When it is realized that almost one-third of the automobile drivers involved in fatal accidents were guilty of speed violations, the importance of proper driving is seen.

Many tragedies might have been averted had those involved stayed within legal speed limits or exercised proper judgment on speed in regard to weather and road conditions.

Rain or fog, for instance, may make it hazardous to travel 35 miles per hour on a road where that speed is legal. Poor judgment in this regard is almost as bad as going 60 miles an hour in a 35-mile per hour zone.

VENETIANS BLIND TO SPEEDBOATS

Italy's famed canal-city of Venice is having traffic problems of its own these days.

The city's gondoliers who ply the canals in their long canoe-like craft, have demanded that motorboats be banned from the St. Mark's Basin in the city.

Complaint was laid following a recent incident when a speeding motorboat slashed through a gondola, cut it in two and nearly drowned the seven occupants.

Basil O'Connor, President, National Foundation for Infantile paralysis:

"We have reduced the death rate

Local Student Passes With Honors

PLAMONDON.—News has been received that Romeo Piquette has passed his Grade 12 examinations with honors. Romeo attended St. Jean's College in Edmonton the past year. Previous to that he attended Plamondon High School. Congratulations, Romeo, Grade 12 at the age of 15 years is really something. We are proud of you.

SKYSCRAPER PROVES TO BE CASTLE IN AIR

Edmonton's first projected skyscraper, the 22-storey Glenton Hotel, turned out to be just another pipedream last week.

Heralded by publicity, ballyhoo and solemn assurances, the hotel's promoters had taken option on land, made arrangements for utilities, concluded a tax deal with the city, and had generally made construction of the hotel seem imminent.

On July 14, Edmonton agent of the Glenton project tersely told newsmen: "The hotel will not be built."

Irate and disappointed Edmontonians wanted to know why the project had fallen through. To many businessmen the answer appeared to be in financing the hotel.

The Glenton hotel was privately-backed, and although Hilton Hotels of New York were to manage the building, no chain of hotels was outwardly supporting the deal. To many outsiders it looked as though the project had run into a hitch in financing that could not be overcome.

In the meantime CNR officials announced that clearing for the 17-storey Macdonald hotel addition may get under way late this year. The $4,500,000 extension is to be built north of the present structure.

One advantage of the new "Mac" in the eyes of most citizens is that its construction will mean removal of a block of shacks and small buildings that have long been an ugly landmark in the city centre.

RAINS ARRIVE TOO LATE TO SAVE CROPS

When rains began to pour down from the skies two weeks ago, Albertans took heart that the bleached and parched crops might amount to something after all.

The storm that swept through central and northern Alberta two weeks ago had luckily done little damage to most rural areas. The Edmonton district and isolated areas were the only ones struck by the hail stones.

The heavy rains in Alberta put new life into the crops but to many farmers it seemed that the moisture had arrived too late.

Immediate result of the downpours over the past two weeks has been a big improvement in the feed and fodder situation. In Saskatchewan, still without heavy rainfall, even the feed supply is still critical.

But the triangle formed by Calgary, Edmonton and Saskatoon appeared to be a washout as far as wheat and grain crops were concerned.

A yield of only 12 bushels per acre is predicted for Alberta on a province-wide basis. In other words the wheat crop will be two-thirds of a normal yield.

The added moisture will only to serve to aid crops to fill out properly and prevent further deterioration.

To most Albertans it was evident the rains had come too late.

PICKARDVILLE NEWS

PICKARDVILLE.—Mr. Wilfred Labelle has returned home after having chiropractic treatments in Edmonton.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gowers is their granddaughter, Mrs. M. Ouimet and Jackie.

Mr. Potva is seriously ill in an Edmonton hospital.

Crops in the district are coming along very well since the rain, and farmers are looking forward to a future after all.

Friends were sorry to hear that Maurice Lambert is in the hospital again.

East Goes West And Vice-Versa As Twain Meets

Many Canadians have often lamented the fact that easterners and westerners have held closer ties with the U.S. or Britain than with each other.

This summer two attempts to bring the east and west closer together have been launched. From Toronto, 250 city slickers travelled west to the Calgary Stampede then north to Edmonton and east again.

On Thursday a special train of 16 cars containing the Torontonians arrived in Edmonton from Calgary. Headed by Mayor H. E. McCallum the Toronto-ites paraded through the streets headed by a girls' pipe band, toured the city and oilfields and attended a civic luncheon.

To celebrate the bicentenary anniversary in Halifax a trainload of ex-Maritimers will leave for the east on July 22. Scores of members of the Maritime Provinces Association and their families are expected to make the trip east.

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CASLAN NEWS

CASLAN.—Mr. Wm. Ballard bought a registered bull from E. W. Meyer and had Alex Sawchuk of Frains take it home by truck last Monday.

Mrs. T. Coulter was at Arnetts' last Sunday picking tame strawberries.

Miss Laureen Hayduk was visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordey for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wolansky were in Edmonton for a couple of days.

Miss Doris Johnson and Jim Joncas of Lac la Biche were visiting the former's parents on Sunday.

Miss Laura Gordon left on Saturday to visit her brother Bob at Eckville.

Mr. John Sawka is busy breaking land for some folks in the district.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hayduk, Gail and Richard of Lac la Biche were visitors at the Meyer home on Sunday.

Miss Olga Patrick returned home from Edmonton after being in the Royal Alexandra hospital where she had an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cislo and Rosie Beztilny were in Thorhild Sunday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Draper of Athabasca were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Johnston on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Draper had resided at Caslan for a number of years. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Adaszynski.

Mr. Alex Gordon was in Hylo Sunday on business.

Business visitors in Boyle during the week included Messrs. A. Cherniwchan, T. Coulter, A. Adaszynski, A. Meyer and M. Patrick.

The Prymych Bros. of Thorhild were in Caslan again with their truck.

The St. Paul beverage truck was in town on Monday.

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M. Waniandi 84 Years Old

McMURRAY. — Mrs. M. Waniandi, better known to everyone in McMurray as "Granny," celebrated her 84th birthday on July 29.

In spite of her years "Granny" is still active, and can turn out some beautiful white caribou slippers, complete with bead work. Mrs. Waniandi has six children, 39 grandchildren and 64 great-grandchildren.

Waterways Court Case Being Aired In England

LONDON. — A prolonged dispute between Abasand Oils Limited of Waterways and the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company of Canada over payment of accident insurance reached the judicial committee of the privy council.

The oil company is claiming $100,000 insurance with respect to a boiler explosion at Abasand's plant in Waterways.

George H. Steer of Edmonton, speaking for the company, said the explosion destroyed a large portion of the plant and equipment used for extracting and refining products from bituminous sand. As repairs could not be effected for more than 100 days, the plant was inactive from Nov. 21, 1941, to June 4, 1942, he said.

Steer said that at the time of the explosion the company was covered by an accident policy respecting boilers and including furnaces. The insurance company had paid for loss with respect to property damage but disputed, under terms of an endorsement headed "use and occupany (for business)," liability for prevention of business operation.

Steer held this endorsement did not exclude the insurance company from liability.

Frank Gahan, formerly of London, Ont., also appeared for Abasand. The case, heard by Lord Porter and four other law lords, will continue.


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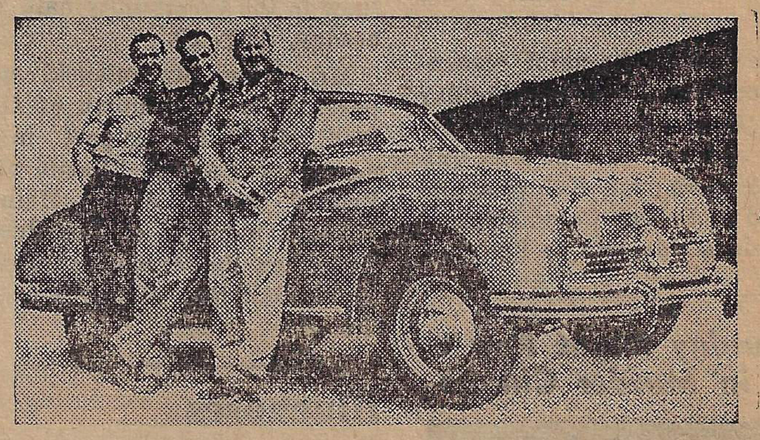
CABINET CONSIDERS NEW CIVILIAN DEFENCE PLAN

This month the Dominion cabinet heard the first comprehensive plan for Canada's civil defence from co-ordinator of civil defence, Major-Gen. F. F. Worthington.

Recently returned from a tour of seven European countries, Gen. Worthington has set down a civil defence scheme for cabinet approval. Canada's policy will probably be a go-slow, observing preparation for the time being. (See Spotlight, July 15).

The general said every country he visited was making preparations to cope with mass air raids or atom attack. Traditionally neutral Sweden appears to have the best co-ordinated plan to date, he said.

British Austin Car Breaks Forty Records



A British Austin "Atlantic" 16 horse-power convertible stock-model car recently broke over 40 international speed and endurance records at Indianapolis track, U.S.A., by averaging over 70 miles per hour for a week. The car has overhead valve engine, two carburettors and a compression ratio of 7.5/1. This picture shows Dennis Buckley, Charles Goodacre and Alan Hess (left to right), the members of the team who drove in relays throughout the seven days.

McMURRAY NOTES

McMURRAY. — Mr. J. Ankers of Edmonton is in McMurray to relieve A. Anderson as engineer on CPA.

Mrs. E. Hanson and Anne left for a holiday in Winnipeg.

Miss Germaine Somers, who has been in school in Edmonton for the past year, has returned home.

The Legion held a "smoker" for Mr. J. Cripps last Monday night. They presented him with a Parker "51".

Signalman S. Rogers has come to McMurray to replace Mr. J. Cripps. His family will follow shortly.

Miss Larraine Powell left on Friday for Bradway, Alta. She has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. F. Stockl for the past few months.

Miss B. Vik of Craigmyle, Alta., is visiting with her cousin, Mrs. J. Dmytruk.

Miss Gem Milne left for Fort Chipewyan to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Pelton. She went with Mr. and Mrs. Pelton on their boat.

Mr. E. Daws is leaving this week for Dawson Creek where he will be CPA agent there.

Galileo invented the pendulum.

Blood donors wanted at the Elks hall August 9.

SEEDTIME and HARVEST

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By
Dr. F. J. Greaney
Director,
Line Elevators Farm Service,
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Agricultural Exhibits

Since its establishment in 1939, Line Elevators Farm Service has carried out a wide variety of educational work in the three prairie provinces. Not the least important of its activities in this field has been its agricultural exhibits.

Mobile Exhibit. Again, this year, during June, July, August and September, our "Mobile Agricultural Exhibit" will visit a number of country fairs, agricultural field days and rural sports' days in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Last year, this "Agricultural Show on Wheels" was displayed at 48 agricultural exhibitions and events in western Canada. It was visited by thousands of farmers. This year's exhibit will feature farmstead planning, soil conservation, farm safety, chemical weed control and other modern agricultural developments.

We extend a cordial invitation to farmers and their families to visit our Mobile Exhibit when it is on display at their local Fair or Field Day. Watch your local newspapers for further announcements.

Chemical Exhibit. The "Chemical Division" of this Department will also be represented at most of the Class "B" Fairs in western Canada this summer with an attractive educational exhibit on agricultural chemicals. This exhibit has been artistically designed to portray the growing importance of chemicals in the life of the western farmer It will emphasize the many modern uses of agricultural chemicals.

Authoritative publications on chemical weed control and on the use of DDT, Chlordan, and other new farm chemicals will be available at the exhibit booth, where a member of our technical staff will be on hand to provide information to prairie farmers, grain buyers and others on the latest developments in the agricultural chemical field. Don't fail to visit our Chemical Exhibit if you attend one of the following western Fairs: **Weyburn, Estevan, Moose Jaw, Calgary, Yorkton, Melfort, Lloydminster, Vermilion, Vegreville, Red Deer, North Battleford, Prince Albert.**

GRASSLAND NEWS

GRASSLAND.—Mrs. Stepaniuk has returned home after visiting her eldest daughter Ann at Warwick. Accompanying her to Grassland was her grandson Paul. Mrs. Stepaniuk reports that crops in the Warwick district are very poor and not to compared to the luxuriant growth around Grassland.

A plebiscite will be held on Monday, Aug. 22 on the question of seceding from the Athabasca Hospital District. The poll for township 67-18 will be held at Grassland Community Hall and for 68-18 at Green Pine West School.

Mr. and Mrs. Semeniur returned on Saturday from their holiday to B.C. They stopped off to see friends and relatives at Big Valley in Alberta, and Kelowna and Rossland in British Columbia, and also made a side trip to Spokane.

Mrs. Nelson was a week-end visitor to Grassland. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are trying to find living accommodation while Mr. Nelson is working in the Ilnicki garage.

A hail storm caused damage up to 80 per cent on five farms west of Grassland on Sunday. No insurance was carried by any of the farmers.

An interesting event took place on Saturday night when the local residents gave a farewell party to Miss Williams, the district nurse. Miss Williams, who is to be married shortly, leaves with the well-wishes of all who knew her.

Don't forget the next picture show in the Community hall, Wednesday, Aug. 10.

Mr. Mike Storonianski whose parents live just north of Grassland, will be taking part in the manoeuvres at the "Battle of the Bridge" on the Alaska Highway. Mike, a member of the Princess Pats, has made many parachute jumps, but this time will be with the glider troops.

Saturday Night Row Ends in Murder Charge



—Central Press Canadian

Herman Woodcox, 33, above, of Tory Hill, 15 miles south of Haliburton, Ont., has been haled in on a murder charge following shooting in the village's main street, resulting in death of Arnold Hill. Witnesses said they heard a shot and saw Gill fall. It is reported the village could always count on its Saturday night fist fight when the loggers came to town.

VENICE NEWS

VENICE. — The Venice parishioners were honored by the visit of Msgr. Beaudoux of St. Paul. About 12 members were confirmed. Prior to the church service a lovely banquet was served by the ladies of the parish. Rev. Father McGrane of Lac la Biche and Rev. Father Laranger of Plamondon were also guests for the occasion.

Rev. Fr. Ouellet, O.M.I., is back from his trip to Quebec.

Mrs. Negro and family of Edmonton were visiting at the home of Mr. Joe Bonifacio.

Mrs. Leo Beland, Mrs. Jean Tremblay and son Larry, all of Coal Valley, spent a couple of days visiting at the home of Mr. John Piquette. Remarks were made that there's a lovely spot for a weiner roast on beach of Venice Lake.

Master Ernest Plachner of Boyle is spending his holidays at his uncle's home, Mr. John Shipka.

Miss Stephania Shipka is now resting at the home of her parents.

Miss Laurette Piquette is now working in Edmonton but will be back to supervise again in the district.

Miss Yvette St. Jean of Bear Lake is visiting at the home of Mr. Arthur Biollo.

Miss Verona Metcalfe left for a business trip to Edmonton.

Miss Doris Kerelchuk is back from her holidays to Vancouver.

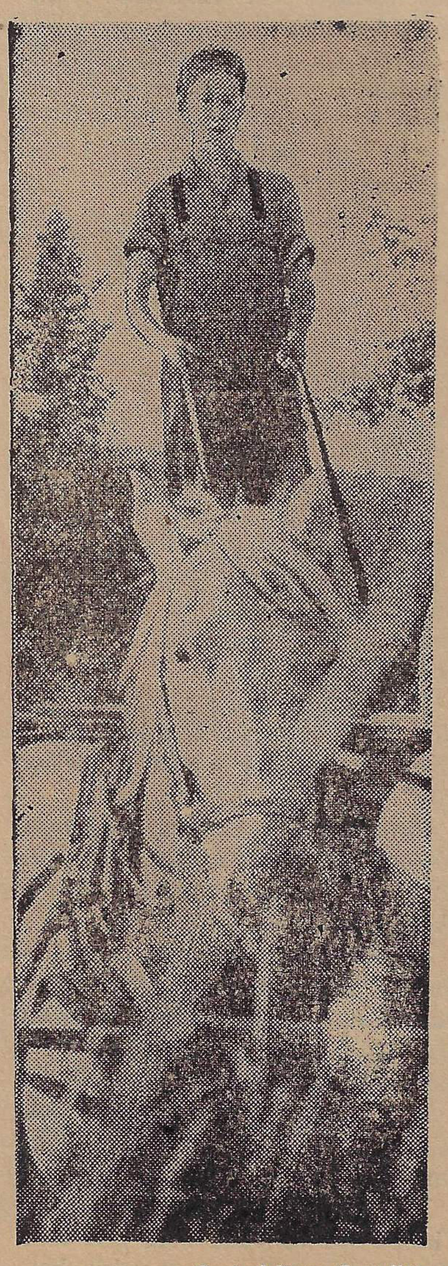
Bluenoses Return Home On Special Train

Thirty-eight former Nova Scotians who took Horace Greeley's advice and "went west" years ago, came home Tuesday night.

They arrived in Halifax aboard the "Bluenose Special" which brought 90 former Maritimers from Edmonton for a visit to the provinces of their birth. The other 52 persons on the train dropped off at various Maritime points along the route.

The excursion was the idea of James Dodds of Edmonton. When he heard radio reports of the Halifax bicentenary celebrations, he "got the idea a lot of people living in the prairie provinces would like to come down to join the fun."

He advertised in Edmonton and Regina newspapers and "could have got more if I had started a little earlier." The trippers represent British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan.



—Central Press Canadian

Arnold Gill, 20, who died in Haliburton hospital after shot-gun shooting on street of Tory Hill, Ont.

HYLO NEWS

HYLO.—Misses Caroline and Alice Pasay are visitors here at Mahowichs. The girls live at Egrement but seem to like Hylo quite well.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosychuk were visiting here over the week-end. Jack and Rose are here quite often and it's nice to see them.

The show "My Pal Wolf" held at Hylo last Friday was quite good. There was a large attendance. We are going to be having shows every Saturday from now on.

Mrs. S. Grandinett has not been feeling well as of late and was to see the doctor last week. We all hope she's soon better and up and around.

Mr. M. Shalapay was at Hylo for a short while on Sunday. He brought Mrs. Meardi and Cecile back from Athabasca.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Piven are at present visiting here at Mr. Michetti's. Clare sure has grown; Ollie and she gets cuter every day.

Lorraine and Helen Grant of Ft. McMurray are visiting here at their sister's, Mrs. H. Michetti.

The directors of the Hylo Co-op held a meeting last Saturday evening.

Miss Severina Marchesi was in Edmonton last week with her brother Ernie who hurt himself while working on the track at Tweedie.

Miss Norma Rayment is working in the cafe in town. We also noticed Katherine's mother Mrs. Woychuk of Noral giving a hand on Sunday.

Volleyball seems to have the people in town pretty busy every evening. We must admit they could make a good team and challenge any of the surrounding districts.

Miss Hilda Wentzel of Noral is visiting here with her sisters.

Our new Co-op manager, Mr. P. Manca, seems to be making out all right.

Mr. A. Gordon of Caslan was here on Sunday.

Parched Earth Welcomes Rain

WARSPITE.—It has been so long since this district has experienced heavy rain that Thursday's brief but heavy downpour was greeted as almost a phenomenon.

Heedless of their mothers' injunction to come in "or you will catch your death of cold," children gleefully paddled in puddles and thoroughly got themselves drenched. Some children held out their cupped hands and poured rain over their heads as an improvised shower bath. Needless to say parents took a dim view of this ingenuity.

But no one took a dim view of the rain. Only trouble was it came down so hard, and the ground was so dry, most of it rolled off without being absorbed.

During the night following, light rain fell during a thunder storm. Next morning news reports stated that light rain had fallen in Edmonton and Lloydminster but not elsewhere.

Outside of the patent neglect to Warspite, no one marvelled at the news, for rain performance this year has been so much on the spotty side as to be peculiar Edmonton's heaviest storm in history brought not so much as a sprinkle to this area.

"We know we are not going to be rich but now we may get enough out of the crops to live," remarked one farmer's wife after the more-than-welcome rain.

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EGG LAKE NEWS

EGG LAKE.—The date for our picnic that we have been waiting for has finally been decided. Everyone is welcome to our Egg Lake picnic on August 7.

Mrs. George Amiot and daughter Georgette and Marie Louise L'Heureux were at the Edmonton Exhibition. Marie Louise stayed for a few days holiday with some friends.

Miss Constance Amiot has gone to Foothills on a holiday.

Community Club Is Organized

EGREMONT. — In April of this year a community club was organized in the McKinley school district with Mrs. John Wenger as president.

Committees were elected to take charge of sports, lunch, entertainment and similar items.

The sports committee holds monthly gatherings with ball games, horse shoe and other lively entertainment. The McKinley men's softball team practises regularly and has played several games.

There is a junior section of the club for the boys and girls. Their main activity has been work with their orchestra which, under the able direction of Mr. W. T. Patek, has produced excellent results. Mr. Patek also directs a mixed choir on Sunday evenings.

A piano has been purchased recently to accompany musical selections. Funds are raised by holding whist drives, dances and weiner roasts.

On July 24 a picnic will be held and softball, novelty races and games will provide fun for all.

Ben Berry Wins Exhibition Prizes

CORONADO. — Benjamin Berry of this district returned from last week's Edmonton exhibition loaded with prizes and honors. He was one of the outstanding winners at the agriculture and horticulture classes at the Edmonton exhibition, according to official prize lists. The judging of exhibits was completed on the opening day of the fair.

Mr. Berry captured close to 30 prizes for his entries in the grain, sweet clover and other classes. W. Colman of Coronado also received many prizes.

Abee Picnic

ABEE.—Annual Abee Community Association picnic was held in the community grounds recently and the main attraction was the baseball tournament.

First game was between Abee and Radway with Abee winning 8-5. Egrement and Amber Valley played the second game with the former winning 11-4.

Final between Abee and Egremont was a close game with the former team winning 4-2.

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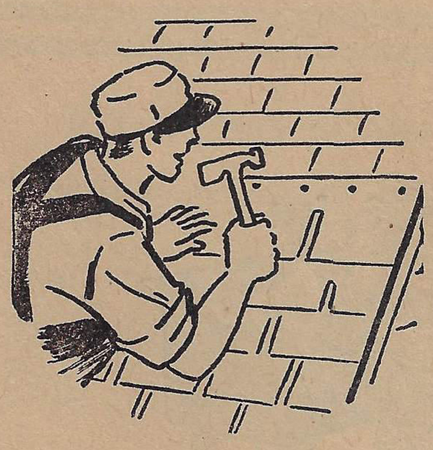
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Canada's Navy Builds Fast, New Sub-Chasers

Canada's "sheep-dog" navy is going ahead on its own initiative to build up a navy that will be more than a match for its traditional foe—the submarine.

With the development of "Schnorkel" apparatus and new improvements to make submarines more lethal, surface craft are more likely to become sitting ducks in a future conflict.

Even World War II destroyers and sub-chasers of various types would have difficulty in overtaking some of the newest underwater craft.

Last week the Canadian navy announced that shipyards in Halifax, Montreal and North Vancouver would begin construction on three new, sleek, specially-designed sub-chasers.

The RCN has long been subconscious. In two wars the small navy has concentrated on anti-submarine escort vessels to combat undersea vessels mainly in the North Atlantic.

With the development of the convoy system of protection the small, fast escort vessels loaded down with depth charges became increasingly important.

The announcement that Canada is to build a new-type sub-chaser came only a few days after a report from the British Admiralty that the RN's big battleships and capital ships would be put on "ice" for the time-being. The British said they, too, were going to concentrate on the lighter escort vessels as the back-bone of the navy.

$8 MILLION

Canada's new anti-sub ships will be as big as a small-type destroyer, will cost nearly $8,000,000 each.

Capable of mass-production, the new sub-chasers will be streamlined with low superstructure and use of aluminum instead of steel for some sections.

With a complement of more than 250 men the new ships are expected to have a speed greater than 20 knots (speed of a frigate). Latest asdic and radar equipment will be installed.

TWO HITS

Special compartments will be built so that even two torpedo hits will not be able to sink them unless a direct hit is scored on the magazines.

Armament will consist of two turrets equipped with rapid-firing anti-aircraft rifles instead of the traditional deck guns that were useless against aircraft or big ships.

To observers it seemed that Canada has developed the first postwar vessel able to cope with the newest submarines.

CPR OILBURNERS START WEST RUN

Last Friday the CPR passenger train for Calgary, headed by a big 2800-class Royal Hudson engine, pulled out of Winnipeg on time and started west.

With Friday's run western Canada's oil industry had a brand new market for its crude oil.

The Royal Hudson was the first type of engine out of 16 CPR locomotives to be converted to oil burners by 1950. Six months ago a similar program of conversion was started on 100 locomotives in southern B.C. and between Calgary and Edmonton.

Advantages of the oil burners: (1) no cinders and soot for passengers, (2) fewer refuelling stops along the line.

NEW $70,000 GOLF COURSE WILL BE ON RIVER BANK

Good news for city golfers came from Edmonton's engineering department last week.

A new $70,000 golf course to be built on the south side of the river, across from the Highlands, will be laid out on "championship" dimensions.

The course will be 6,695 yards, par-71, 18 holes. Built on river flats and hillsides leading to the river, the course will have first rate uphill and downhill planning to make it one of the province's best golf links.

Vancouver Okays Sunday Gas Sales

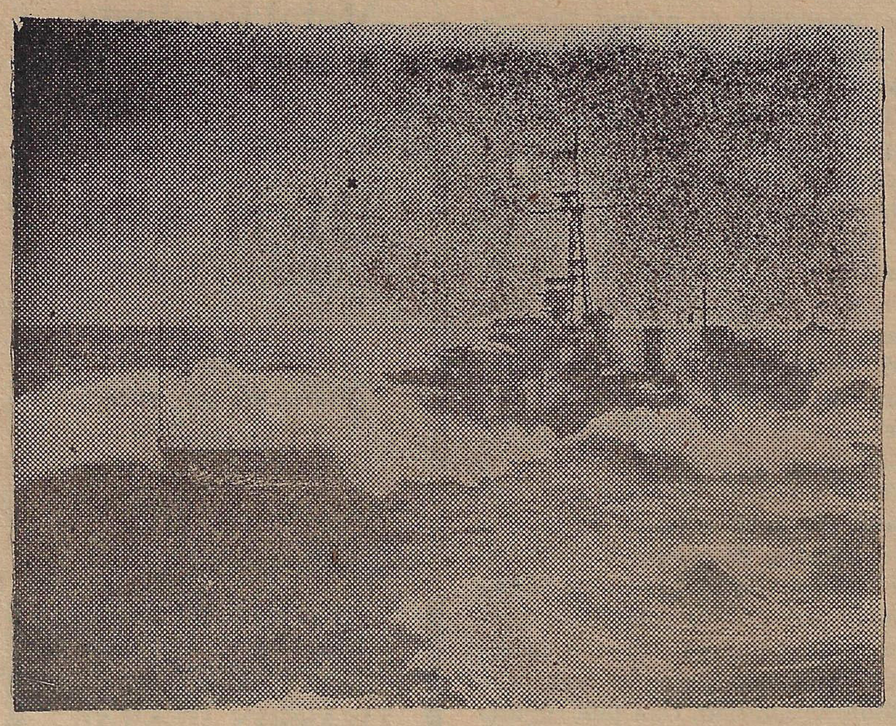
VANCOUVER. — Sixty-three gasoline stations now operating on a 24-hour basis will be allowed to sell gasoline on Sundays, Mayor Charles Thompson of Vancouver announced recently.

The statement followed a meeting of the mayor with Attorney-General Gordon Wismer, Magistrate Oscar Orr and Judge R. A. Sargent.

Sale of gasoline on Sunday will be restricted to doctors, tourists and others on an emergency basis, within the terms of a judgment handed down in supreme court last week. The judgment was an interpretation of a section of the Lord's Day Act.

The meeting decided, however, that station operators would not be called upon to interpret the term "tourist". The city will hand down a definition.

Whether a Vancouver resident on a week-end jaunt up the Fraser Valley is a tourist has not yet been decided.



SUB FOE HMCS "HAIDA"

—RCN Photo

. . . For the Navy, a sleek replacement

HOSSES MAKE $300,000 MORE FOR CALGARY

The difference between having a few horses around and not having hardly any horses at all was brought home to Edmontonians last week.

A comparison of attendance at the Calgary Stamepde and the Edmonton exhibition shows that the southern city drew nearly four times as many people to its anual show.

Although Edmonton's exhibition association gleefully reported an all-time record of 192,871 people attending the fair, Calgay's stampede left the north city away behind in the dust.

A total of 407,954 paid admissions were recorded for the one week of the stampede, 30,971 over last year's attendance.

On the last day of the stampede, 70,840 persons clicked through the gates, while in Edmonton only 36,325 attended on Saturday.

The round-up of attendance figures showed Edmontonians that they need another drawing card besides the standard midway, horse races and exhibits.

Only hope for the north city, in the opinion of most citizens, is the Chamber of Commerce air show planned for next summer.

But it would have to go a long way to compete with the lure of Calgary's annual stampede.

Lake Superior is the largest fresh water lake in the world.

Salt content of the Great Salt Lake is high because there is no outlet. The lake loses water only through evaporation, leaving only the salt.

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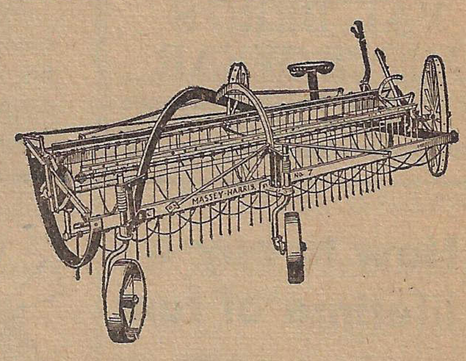
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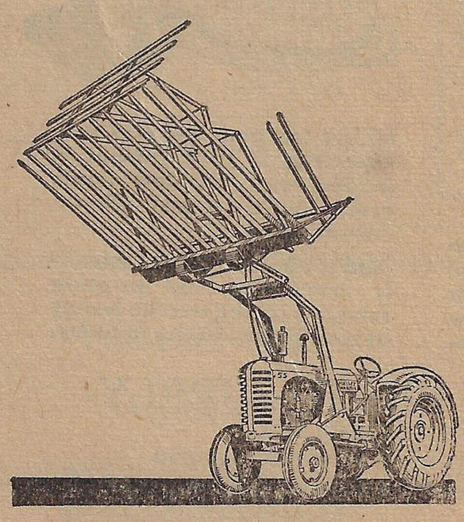
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What is desired for long storage life is a sound well-coloured apple of medium size, harvested at the proper stage of maturity, says W. R. Phillips, Division of Horticulture, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, Ontario. Such apples are usually produced on healthy trees of normal vigor, and not too dense foliage. Orchardists can accomplish such conditions through careful observation and the application of knowledge gained through experience.

Producing good storage apples is not always within the control of the grower, however. Such things as weather, the age of the tree, and other factors may influence storage behaviour. Young trees, because of their normal excessive vigour, produce poorer keeping fruit than older and more established trees. Irregularities in rainfall and sunlight may also interfere with maturity progress, which, in turn, shortens storage life.

In spite of these uncontrollable factors, a properly managed orchard will usually produce a large proportion of good keeping apples. The important operation at harvest is to segregate the "poor storage" from the "good storage" fruit. The former category would include immature fruit low in colour, those grown on young trees, and fruit which is over-mature. The second category would include the remainder — the sound, well-coloured, properly matured apples. If the apples in the "poor storage" category are consumed during the first month or two of storage life, the better apples can be marketed in prime condition.

Railway operating expenses and revenue registered an all time high in 1948. While operating expenses went from $683,045,372 to $798,474,125 an increase of 16.9 per cent, revenue increases aggregated $866,548,950, a rise of only

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Lye Solution For Milking Machines

A weak lye solution (0.5 per cent) has proved to be most effective in maintaining milking machine rubber parts in good sanitary condition. Since its introduction in 1930, this method has spread widely and is probably the one most commonly used on this continent. However, one objection has been that the original directions required the preparation of a "stock solution" by dissolving the contents of three cans of flake lye in a gallon of water. This had to be done with care, for not infrequently the heat generated by the dissolving lye broke the glass jar. To avoid this, studies have been conducted by the Division of Bacteriology and Dairy Research, Science Service, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, to determine the feasibility of adding the required amount of lye directly to water to make the "soak solution."

These studies have indicated the importance of thoroughly mixing such solutions before use. Unless this was done, different portions of the solution showed marked variations in strength. An exception was noted in the case of one make of solution rack which uses the chicken fountain principle; here the air bubbling in to replace the solution withdrawn mixed the contents adequately.

The method recommended to make the soak solution is to add two heaping teaspoonfuls of flake lye to a pint of COLD water in the supply jar. This is rotated or stirred until dissolved, when it is diluted with cold water to make one gallon of solution. One pint of this is then drained from the supply jar and poured back in. With this method the solution is uniform in strength and gives excellent results. However, care must be taken to keep the can of lye tightly closed when not in use; otherwise the lye will absorb moisture from the air and ,'cake."

Weeds Are Prolific

Weeds are one of the greatest problems in successful farming, and particularly in producing a more abundant supply of clean forage, grain, and other seed. To get the best returns from the land and produce a high-class of clean seed, farmers have to wage a ceaseless war keeping weeds in check and preventing the spread of new kinds. One of the principal reasons why weeds are not brought under better control is because such large numbers of weed seeds are put into the soil through lack of care in ordinary farm operations.

Investigations have shown that while many farmers are extremely careful in the selection and cleaning of the seed they use, others do not give this important step in farming the attention it rightly deserves. Clean seed is of vital importance because some weeds are so prolific in seed production that relatively clean fields may become badly contaminated in two or three years if the weeds are allowed to go to seed.

There are many kinds of liquids that can be mixed without danger, but if you are smart you will never try to mix alcohol with gasoline, less you find yourself on the well known "slab."

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There are approximately 62,000 households in Newfoundland and Labrador at the time of the 1945 census. Of these, 62 per cent consisted of single families with or without relatives, lodgers, servants, and so forth.

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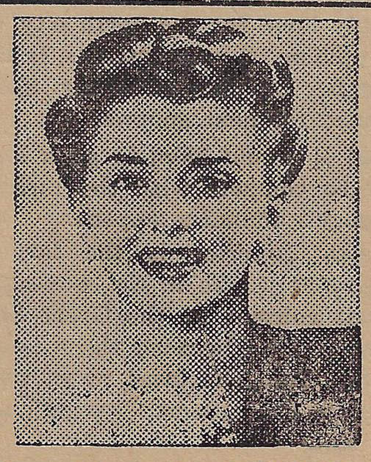
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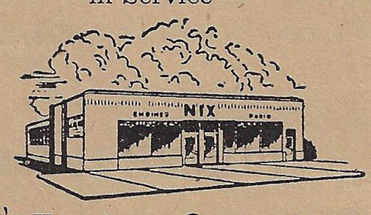
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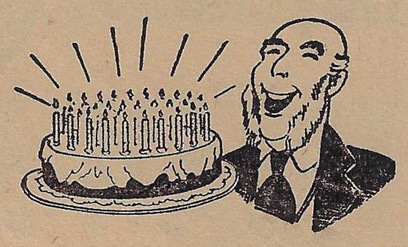


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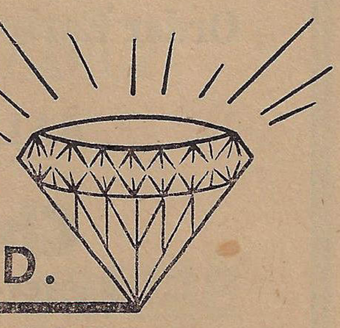
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Canning Industry New Big Business

More than 500 factories are canning fruit, vegetables and meat in Canada today. Their combined production accounts for an important percentage of the Canadian crop. More than four million cases of fruit, eleven million cases of vegetables, 100 million pounds of jams, jellies, marmalades, frozen fruit, frozen vegetables and evaporated apples are packed and marketed every year. When further millions of pounds of canned meat and poultry are added to that, the average annual total becomes impressive.

But it is only in recent years that canning operations in Canada have been on this scale. The first plant to commence canning in Canada did not get started till 1878. By the turn of the century, there were still only 80 canneries organized.

At that time, most of the work was done by hand. After a summer spent hand-shelling peas and preparing fruits for canning, plant employees would keep busy during the winter hand-making cans for the next summer pack.

Canada was the first country to have special legislation for canned foods and is unique in this respect. This was in 1907. The Canadian law requires that everything entering into the manufacture of canned fruit and vegetables, as well as frozen and dehydrated products, must be "sound, wholesome and fit for human food."

If an inspector for the Dominion Department of Agriculture finds any products in the course of preparation which he considers to be unfit for food, he may condemn it and have it destroyed under his supervision.

Grade labelling became mandatory in Canada in 7918. Four years' careful research went into the study and selection of grading standards and after two years of practical demonstration in more than 40 factories became law right across the country.

Canadian law does not stipulate what grade of product shall be packed, but it does insist that all products must be sound, wholesome and in every way fit for human food; that they must be manufactured under sanitary conditions and labelled to show the quality as defined in the regulations as Fancy Quality, Choice Quality, Standard Quality, or Substandard Quality.

Similar regulations control frozen fruits and vegetables. The frozen foods industry agreed to two grades, realizing the advantages of quality production — Fancy and Choice Quality — and any product that fails to meet the requirements for Choice grading is automatically graded Substandard.

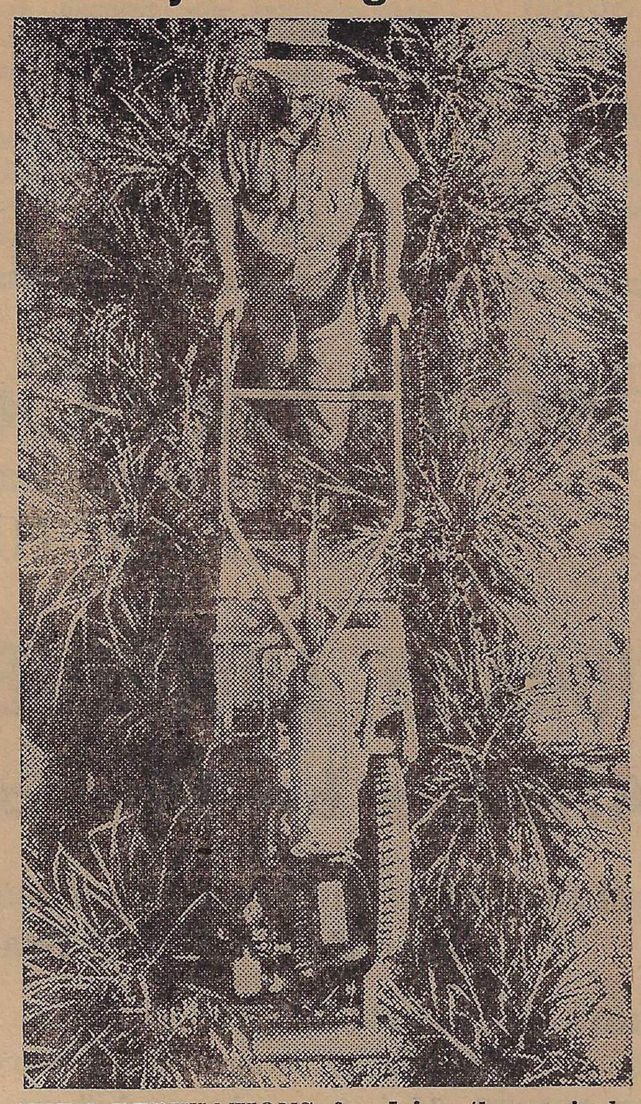
Containers for canned fruits and vegetables were standardized in Canada shortly before the outbreak of World War II.

Always subject to close inspection, the canning factories themselves are kept in excellent condition. Walls, ceilings and floors are cleaned regularly, rooms are well lighted and ventilated. Adequate drainage is a feature of every plant.

Canadian canners pack an incredible variety of field and garden foods: apples, apple juice, fruit cocktail, fruit salad, pears, peaches, tomatoes, tomato juice, asparagus cuttings, pumpkin, succotash, Brussels sprouts, broccoli, cauliflower, cantaloupe, jams, jellies, marmalades and preserves. Then there is a wide variety of meat and poultry products.

The system has worked well and the canning industry has prospered in Canada. Government and packer have teamed up to give the consuming public clean, quality products in good variety.

Day's Hoeing Done In An Hour On Three Continents







WITH REPUTATIONS for doing the equivalent of a day's hand hoeing in an hour, British-manufactured rotary hoes are on their way to the U. S. Named Gems, the machines are also being imported by Canada and 43 other countries. Pictured here are Gems at work on three continents—making irrigation furrows in Africa (left), cutting overgrowth in Europe (top right), and working in a rice field in Asia (bottom right). Manufacturer's claims for them are: self-sharpening blades which lift, break up and aerate the soil and mix it with cover crops, fertilizers or manures; a special safety clutch which prevents damage by hidden rocks or other objects. With special attachments, Gems are reported to be capable of rolling, furrowing and being power units for sprays, pumps and saws.

FARM NOTES FROM ABROAD

Danish Cheese, Eggs

Denmark and the authorities in western Germany have signed a trade agreement to the value of $1 million. Denmark will supply cheese and eggs to western Germany. In exchange western Germany will export industrial products.

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Argentine Wheat

The Argentine Ministry of Agriculture on June 1st asked growers to increase the wheat acreage now being seeded to about 17 million acres. This would bring the acreage back to the 1940-44 level, although still not up to pre-war averages. Last year's unofficial acreage is placed at 13.5 million acres. Growers feel that the price would have to be higher than the $1.86 per bushel set for the 1948-49 crop if the increased acreage is to be obtained.

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U.K. Oils and Fats

Domestic production of linseed oil in the United Kingdom increased to an estimated 12,100 short tons in 1948-49 compared with 5,500 tons in 1947-49. Production of slaughter fats at 44,100 tons increased by 11 per cent over the level of the previous year. Fish oil production also increased. Whale oil during the past season was down about 10 per cent from the season before, but sperm oil output was up about 11 per cent.

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Farm Machinery

Austria is producing two types of tractors; one suitable for horticultural gardening, the other an export machine suitable for operation in muddy rice fields. In Hungary production of the first modern type diesel tractor was expected to be completed by June. This machine weighs over three tons and it is claimed that it can plough nearly an acre and a half to a depth of over eight inches in one hour. Spain is also constructing tractors; a 25 horse-power track-type and a six horse-power machine.

Farmers' Receipts Show Increase

Preliminary figures issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in July, indicate that during the first three months of 1949, farmers' receipts from the sale of farm products amounted to $406,386,000 as compared with $380,006,000 1948 and $333,779,000 in 1947, a gain of 6.9 per cent and 21.7 per cent respectively.

Compared with a year ago, cash income from the sale of field crops at $133,878,000 for the first quarter of 1949, was up more than 20 per cent. This increase can be largely attributed to the increases in the marketings of the five principal grains and a higher price for wheat. Income from the sale of livestock and livestock products at $264,776,000 for the January-March period of this year is relatively unchanged from that of the same period of 1948. With the exception of cattle and calves, the 1949 marketings of livestock were down this year as against last. Prices on the other hand were, without exception higher than a year ago, with the index of livestock prices indicating an overall increase of more than 20 per cent.

Venezuela—Canada's principal source of crude petroleum—accounted for 4,425,256 barrels in January this year as compared to 1,909,723 in the corresponding month last year.

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"Take It or Leave It" Is Alberta Gas Export Policy

The first statement on gas export policy came from Alberta's government last week just three weeks after the Socred legislature had handed over the gas and oil policy to the provincial cabinet.

In a prepared statement, issued in response to curious people who wanted to know what the government was going to do with the gas and oil, Alberta's canny Premier Manning set down a "take-it or leave it" policy on export.

Private companies could "take it" (i.e. export gas) if they sufficiently developed Alberta's natural gas resources to provide the province's consumers with enough gas.

They would have to "leave it" (i.e. leave it) if reserves were not found to be sufficient to supply local needs.

In other words gas export could take place within a matter of months or it could wait for as long as five years.

"We're not interested in individual groups," said the lanky premier. "There must be sufficient gas for the people of Alberta to warrant export."

Some idea of available reserves come from the Dinning Royal Commission which probed Alberta's natural gas resources six months ago.

According to estimates Alberta's "proven" supply of gas is 4.26 trillion cu. ft. with a possible 15 trillion cu. ft. in reserve. (Under present calculations if four companies exported gas from Alberta they would use up 5 trillion cu. ft. in 25 years).

In the meantime Alberta's domestic use of gas is increasing and is expected to double by 1960 (to 70 billion cu.ft. per year).

"NO SHORTAGE"

Some U.S. promoters and geologists have claimed that gas reserves can be increased 10 trillion cu. ft. in 10 years or to 3 trillion in the next five years.

But Premier Manning stuck to his guns and said that under present conditions no applications for export of natural gas will be given.

Some oil and gas companies who had their eye on the export market started to grumble when they heard news of the conservation policy.

"NO ENCOURAGEMENT"

One executive of a company backing West Coast Transmission (which planned to expert gas to the west coast) said the policy was "not encouraging to the natural gas industry."

Another geologist claimed that reserves would be increased rather than decreased by export. His reason: exporting would encourage development of isolated fields into "proven" areas.

But most civic and provincial opinion appeared to back the premier's cautious policy. Most felt that he was making a conscientious attempt to conserve the province's natural resources.

And in the rural areas and small towns people were hoping the premier's policy would not discourage companies from piping gas to the vast and eager market within the province.

"MANDY" DELIVERED



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While travelling unaccompanied aboard a Trans-Canada Air Lines "North Star" from London, Eng., to Dr. Z. Urbanek in Vancouver, Mandy, a little white mongrel decided that she liked the country around Goose Bay Labrador. When being fed as per instructions on her box, Mandy slipped her collar and eluded searchers for six days. Mandy was caught when she tripped the door to her food baited crate. Safe and sound, she is seen here at Montreal Airport, securely tied to TCA Stewardess Billie Stewart.

A Link With the Elizabethan Era

Queen Elizabeth recently performed a ceremony marking the restoration to its former glory of a famous London land-mark built under the patronage of her namesake four centuries ago. Her majesty, who is treasurer of Middle Temple, reopened Middle Temple Hall, whose dignified beauty is so inseparably associated with the matchless legal traditions of Britain. The hall was badly damaged by enemy bombers during the savage raids on London in 1940.

REDWATER OIL NEWS

REDWATER. — Western Leaseholds Redwater No. 21-6 has been bottomed at 3,234 feet and treated with 3,000 gallons of acid. Word is still awaited on initial production from the well. No. 21-9 is drilling at 3,087 feet, No. 12-15 is 3,043 feet, No. 21-16 is coring at 2,021 feet and No. 31-11 has drilled out cement at 3,290 feet.

At the northwest end of the Redwater oilfield, PASC No. 15-3B is drilling at 3,052 feet.

FIRES FIZZLE AS DOWNPOURS QUENCH FLAMES

Heavy rains over the past two weeks have finally put the damper on Alberta's northern forest fires. Weary fire fighting crews have turned from the smoldering timber to dig out the treacherous ground fires.

Before the week-end deluge of July 16, six fires had raged out of control in the north country.

While a hot sun shrivelled up greenery, flames sprang up in 17 wooded areas and soon six fires were out of control.

An aircraft was pushed into service to drop five drums of gasoline (for pump engines) and 3,000 feet of hose to isolated firefighters in the White Court area.

On the west coast the situation was worse and in south-central Vancouver Island 200 acres were burned out.

By the week-end, heavy rains moving in from the west coast had effectively squelched all serious blazes and left the way open for mopping up operations.

Legend in North Comes From South

(Continued from Front Page)

In July 1926, he joined what is now Northern Alberta Railways. For the past 18 years he has been steadily on the Edmonton-Waterways run.

Len boasts of "a good remembrance." Once to took a 7,000 mile pleasure trip through the United States and everywhere he went, almost, he remembered faces and names.

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